



DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**IDENTIFICATION OF OLIGONUCLEOTIDES FOR THE CAPTURE, DETECTION
AND QUANTITATION OF WEST NILE VIRUS**

the specification of which (check one) _____ is attached hereto x was filed on January 23, 2004, as U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/729,421 and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended referred to above.

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Application		Status
Serial No.	Filing Date	Patented, Pending, Abandoned
60/432,850	December 12, 2002	Abandoned
60/480,431	June 20, 2003	Pending

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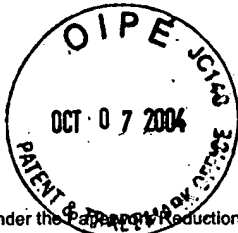
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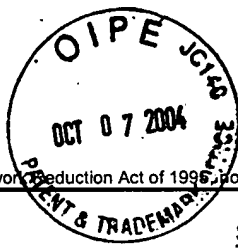
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The individual whose signature and title is supplied below is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee

Signature		Date October <u>5</u> , 2004
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

PP-20030.003

Applicant/~~Patent Owner~~: Venkatakrishtna Shyamala

Application No./~~Patent No.~~: 10/729,421 Filed/~~Issue~~ Date: December 5, 2003

Entitled: Identification of Oligonucleotides for the Capture, Detection and Quantitation of West Nile Virus

CHIRON CORPORATION, a corporation
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Marcella Lillis

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I, **VENKATAKRISHNA SHYAMALA**, hereinafter referred to as **ASSIGNOR**, have invented certain improvements as described and set forth in the below-identified provisional application for United States Letters Patent:

Title of Invention: IDENTIFICATION OF OLIGONUCLEOTIDES FOR THE
CAPTURE, DETECTION AND QUANTITATION OF WEST
NILE VIRUS

Date of Execution: March 18, 2004

Filing Date: December 5, 2003

Serial No: 10/729,421

WHEREAS, **CHIRON CORPORATION**, located at 4560 Horton Street, Emeryville, California 94608-2916, hereinafter referred to as **ASSIGNEE**, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in the said invention and application and in any Letters Patent which may be granted on the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) lawful money paid to **ASSIGNOR** by **ASSIGNEE**, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, **ASSIGNOR** has sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said **ASSIGNEE**, and **ASSIGNEE'S** successors and assigns, all right, title and interest in and to the said invention, said application for United States Letters Patent, and any Letters Patent which may hereafter be granted on the same in the United States and all countries throughout the world including any divisions, renewals, continuations in whole or in part, substitutions, conversions (including conversions claiming priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e)), reissues, prolongations or extensions thereof, the said interest to be held and enjoyed by said **ASSIGNEE** as fully and exclusively as it would have been held and enjoyed by said **ASSIGNOR** had this assignment and transfer not been made, to the full end and term of any Letters Patent.

ASSIGNOR also agrees that the U.S. serial number and the filing date may be entered above by **ASSIGNEE** or its agents upon designation of the serial number and the filing date by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

ASSIGNOR further agrees that she will, without charge to said **ASSIGNEE**, but at **ASSIGNEE'S** expense, cooperate with **ASSIGNEE** in the prosecution of said application and/or applications, execute, verify, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for Letters Patent and for the reissue thereof, and instruments of assignment and transfer thereof, and will perform such other acts as **ASSIGNEE** lawfully may request, to obtain or maintain Letters Patent for said invention and improvement in any and all countries, and to vest title thereto in said **ASSIGNEE**, or **ASSIGNEE'S** successors and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, **ASSIGNOR** has hereunto signed her name to this assignment on the date indicated below.

INVENTOR: VENKATAKRISHNA SHYAMALA

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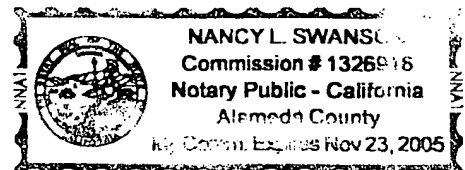
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State of California
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On 3/18/04 before me, Nancy L. Swanson, Notary Public, personally appeared Venkatakrishna Shyamala, personally known to me OR proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

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